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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For State Treasurer.

We are authorized to announce H. H. HENNINGSEN, Wayne county, a candidate for the office of State Treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

Henry E. Yontsey has made his statement concerning the assassination of Gov. Goebel. He says that he has freely and voluntarily made a full and complete revelation of his knowledge of the whole affair and that he feels like a new man. Conscience is a powerful lash. Yontsey tells a straight, plain story and states positively that Howard fired the shot and that Taylor, Powers and Finley laid the plot though several others, he says, were parties to it. It is not our mission to enter a prosecution against the accused; it is not our desire to have, or to hear of, an innocent man being prosecuted, neither do we believe in offering excuses for those accused of such a horrible crime. In the face of such circumstances, the strong evidence against all the parties indicted, in the open daylight of such an open, straight, unbooming of the entire plan that led to such a cold-blooded murder we can see no reason for any person further protesting against the efforts of the Commonwealth and the brothers of the murdered man unless they endorse the deed. It is unfortunate for the parties who instigated the plot, unfortunate for the ones who executed it and unfortunate for the giant intellectual Goebel and the State of Kentucky, but the deed was done and human sympathy, party pride nor any other relations except the strongest ties of nature should outweigh or seek to outwit legal justice. Murder cannot be condoned, neither can prosecution be conducted from political bias without great injury. We can see any reason why Gov. Durbin should refuse to grant a requisition from Gov. Beckham to return the fugitives in his State to the authorities of Kentucky. Political conditions in this Commonwealth have assumed a normal condition. No one desires to prosecute or persecute any man because of his political or religious affiliation, but only want the accused to face the evidence and the law and take the result of a just verdict.

The Republican candidates for the nomination for Circuit Judge in this district have agreed to cease public speaking until the Edmonson circuit court. At that time and place they will have a meeting, and in is likely that all the candidates for Commonwealth's Attorney will be present and have some understanding concerning the time, manner and place of making the nomination.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Vaudepool, of Whitley county, are the father and mother of twenty-six children, so we were informed, a few days ago. They were married early in life and have now reached the age 65, both enjoying fine health. Out of the twenty-six births fourteen of the children are living.

The President some how or other is making his administration conspicuous for a breach between the colors.

Teddy boasts of a southern mother, but he never deviates from the tracks of his northern father.

Congress is liable to give birth to three new States—New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma.

We favor the expansion of States rather than territories.

## AN OLD REB.

It was our pleasure to spend a day last week in the thrifty little city of Corbin, Ky., and while there was introduced to Mr. W. L. Heath, of that city. Mr. Heath is one of Corbin's best citizens and has been identified with the interest of that town for several years. He is now 61 years of age and an active merchant and hotel man. He is a man of good physique and does not show any disabilities by reason of his long campaign in the interest of the Confederacy which he now takes pleasure in relating to his friends. There have been many stories circulated concerning the capture of President Jeff Davis; some say that he was taken with three hundred others, some have asserted that he was captured in a woman's garb, but Mr. Heath lays bare these erroneous stories, by giving a minute detail of the capture, as he was one of the President's body guards. Mr. Heath joined Company B. 4th Kentucky Infantry, C. S. A. and was with it in all of its hardest engagements. His recital of the many narrow escapes, desperate battles and captures is highly interesting and shows him to have been a true soldier, brave and fearless, and a man of fixed principles, unflinching, unyielding. He was captured five times but outwitted his captors three of those times and joined his command. Once he was placed in Camp Douglas and on another occasion his captors landed him in Camp Chase. His stay in prison was of short duration, only a few months, when he was exchanged. After his parole in Camp Chase he went South, and joined his command in North Carolina, they having been mounted at that time. A part of the command was detailed as an escort for President Davis and Cabinet and Mr. Heath was one of the escorts. This detachment continued with Mr. Davis and Cabinet until Washington, Georgia, had been reached at which place forty select men were picked from the detachment and out of the forty thus selected ten were chosen as the escort to continue the journey. Omitting the details of a brief period of the journey, it was only three or four days until President Davis was captured with only six of the escorts with him at that time. Mr. Heath was one of the six but by his shrewdness he outwitted his captors and made his escape while being conducted to the prison station in North Georgia. Substantially the above story of the capture was published in the Courier-Journal in June 1900, as related by Sargent Baker, who had command of the escorts at that time. Through all the hardest fought battles as Mr. Heath came out without any serious wounds and enjoys good health now and while he is living in one of the strongest Republican counties in the State he still clings to the principles that actuated him in the conflicts of long ago, and votes it straight Democratic every time. Notwithstanding that he is on the minority side in his section still he has the good will and friendship of those on the other.

## CAMPBELLSBORO.

The choice of the Taylor county Democracy seems to centre on Beckham for Governor. It is conceded by all that he has well and fearlessly performed the arduous duties of his office during the stormy period following the assassination of the late Gov. Goebel. The county will most probably instruct for him.

Mr. Black also had supporters here, but the Democrats will support the nominee whoever he may be.

Henry Moss, Geo. Henry Vancleave and Lou Cowherd, all colored, were arrested for selling whisky in violation of the internal revenue laws and carried to Lebanon for examining trial on Friday last. The case against the woman was dismissed, the other two were held for further trial and sent to jail in default of \$500 bond, each. It is probable other arrests may soon follow. The U. S. revenue laws and the State laws on the subject of vending whisky may seem to be tyrannical, especially to the ignorant, but nevertheless they should be obeyed. If this writer was called on for advice he would say quit it for fear that you might hear something "drap."

Mr. Clarence Coffey and family left on the train for Lexington on

Saturday last. Mr. Coffey is a saddler by trade and has secured a position at Lexington. He is an industrious, amiable and good citizen, well-beliked by many warm friends. He carries with him to his new home their best wishes.

Mr. James Garnett, Jr., was in our town recently. His business as a lawyer calls him here now and then. Numerous friends are always ready to welcome him. He is an excellent gentleman and an able lawyer. He is a chip off the old block which is saying a great deal.

Mr. Newton Smith, formerly of this county, now of Adair, was in town this week seeing about a suit he has brought for the recovery of a store house and lot and other property which he claims the holders have no legal right. He claims he has an interest in the property and has employed Mr. Rollin Hurt, of Columbia, to manage his case. If successful he will add quite a number of feathers to his nest.

Under the management of Mr. Wood D. Faucett, of Bardotown, who is the well-known salesman of musical instruments, there will be at the Opera House, in this city, a contest for a number of prizes by numerous "old fiddlers" from this and adjoining counties. The concert promises to be a lively one. It comes off on the night of February 12. Our old and mutual friend, W. W. Anderson, if not providentially hindered, will be on hand.

Messrs. Molt & Lancaster have opened a furniture store next door to the National Bank. It will be exclusively furniture and sewing machines. Both are deservedly popular and of excellent business capacity. J. H. C.

## CREELSBORO.

Mr. Siras Campbell, who has been quite ill with pneumonia, is better.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Clayton spent Wednesday and Thursday with his uncle, Mrs. Lettie Grider Blankenship.

Mrs. Milton Jones, of Somerset, is visiting her son, J. E. Jones.

Mr. Rufus Black has recently removed to the Armstrong property in our little village.

Sunday school at this place is progressing nicely.

Mrs. Malinda Clayton, has been visiting in Jackman's Bottom for the past week.

Mr. Lloyd Rankin, of Rankin, Ky., was here last week buying corn, along the Cumberland.

M. O. Jackman left Friday on the Steamer Burnside for Somerset, where he will accept a position as fireman on the railroad.

Dr. A. M. Jackman was in Clinton county last week.

Miss Maud Grider has been visiting friends and relatives in Irish Bottom.

Roy Armstrong is attending school at Albany.

J. M. Barnes was at Jamestown Saturday on business.

Misses Edie and Lenora Blankenship entertained quite a number of their friends at their home last Friday evening. Those present were Misses Lillie Smith, Maude Grider, Florence Woodridge, Myrtle Black, Nannie Miller, Ida Black, Donie Black, Bessie Barnes, Andy Coffey, Sallie Barnes, Dona Helm, Lizzie Oldham, Esther Coe, Mary Irwin; Mrs. Lettie Blankenship, Mrs. Willa Morgan; Messrs. James Black, Herschel Loy, Frank Campbell, Thaddeus Helm, Otis Glover, Ed Oldham, Millard Helm, John Coe, Linwood Helm, Thomas Blankenship, John Oldham, Bascom Helm, Marcus Woodridge, Lamie Oldham, John C. Helm, Dallas Oldham, M. O. Jackman and Hunter Black. Every one report a delightful time.

## CREELSBORO NO. 2.

C. F. Dunbar attended the burial of his grand father, R. Dunbar, who died the 28 last week.

Wm. Rankin, of Monticello, was here last week on business.

W. B. Self has removed to Irish Bottom and Rufus Black to the Armstrong property in town.

A girl arrived last week to further bless the union of Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy.

Mrs. Nannie Johnson was visiting here last.

H. S. Irwin and John Thuton are on Obey's river with their gasoline boat. We are informed by L. H. Buster, the assessor, that this precinct listed more than any other in the county amount being \$215,000.

Duff Ross, formerly of this place, but now of Butlers Landing, Tenn., is very low with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Jennie Austin and children, of Tennessee, are visiting the family of Frank Bledsoe.

M. C. Barger is building a ware house at his landing and all freight hereafter will be marked "Lower Creelsboro."

FOR SALE.—Mr. W. H. Jones, this place, has six building lots for sale. They join the grounds of the Linsey Memorial School. Address him at Columbia, Ky. 1m

## JAMESTOWN.

Mr. Strong Hill and family, Gradyville, are visiting Mrs. Hill's parents, near here, and relatives of both in various parts of the county.

Hon. F. R. Winfrey, Columbia, was here Saturday on professional business. Rev. T. J. Winfrey has returned from Somerset, where he visited his son, C. L. Winfrey.

Miss Cleo Cooper, of Wayne county, is attending school here and we surmise that it is useless for a certain young barrister of our town to struggle any longer.

Vincent Dockery, who has been confined to his bed for several weeks, is able to be about town and looks after his business.

Dr. J. S. Rowe has been called to the bedside of his brother, Grover, who is dangerously sick at Georgetown, where he has been attending school. Gordon Montgomery was in our town last week looking after insurance.

W. B. Patterson was in Columbia Saturday on business.

Eld. A. H. Baugh began a series of Sabbath-day sermons two weeks ago at the Union church, this place, and will continue several weeks. Bro. Baugh is an earnest and forcible reasoner, delivers his sermons in a very comprehensive manner, and this series promises to be both edifying and instructive.

Your correspondent having lately been associated with parties who know something of the oil question, was assured by a number of contractors that active development would begin near Jamestown in the Spring. And with oil derricks almost in sight of town, and a new jail and bank building to be erected here in the Spring, we may safely predict that our town will take on new life.

For several years, our town and the country around it has suffered what we regard as a considerable loss by having no winter term of school, and there having been no school of any consequence elsewhere in the county, our young people have been forced to go away from home to school. This winter however, we have been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. L. O. Phelps, an estimable gentleman of the county, and a man eminently qualified as an instructor. While educating himself he has taught three sessions of the common school here, and the patrons know and appreciate his sterling worth. Mr. Phelps refused a position tendered him in Berea College in order to give his services in the interest of home. His school is by far the largest in the county, splendidly disciplined and doing good work.

## CLOYDS LANDING.

Salt Lick Bend, a circuitous bend in Cumberland river, containing about 6000 acres and situated in the southern part of Cumberland county, Ky., seems to be destined to become the most productive and famous oil fields in the country. Out of eight holes put down five are excellent producers. Only one of the eight was a complete "duster." The first well put down was the famous "Burning Well" situated on the land of T. C. Graves. This well "came in" in July, 1902, and is the property of the Greensburg Oil Co. This well will produce from one to two thousand barrels a day. The Rich Gusher, on the farm of Ransom Rich, "came in" in January, 1902. It is located about a mile from the "Burning Well" and

will produce from 500 to 1000 barrels a day. This well belongs to the Kentucky and Tennessee Oil and Gas Co., of which H. L. Stern is the Superintendent. Another well is being put down on the Rich farm and another gusher is expected next week.

These two wells, the "Burning Well" and the Rich Gusher, are supposed to be the best of the field, but there are four other good producers. The Leslie Cary well will produce 100 to 200 barrels a day. This well was put down by the Westmoreland Oil Co., and "came in" in December, 1902. The Cary's Perry well, on L. A. Cary's land, will produce 100 barrels a day. This well was put down by the Life Stake Oil Co., and "came in" in December, 1902. The James Humes well "came in" in Jan. 1902 and is a small producer. The Franklin Young well is also a small producer.

Wells are now being put down on the lands of Hardin Brown, Mrs. Margaret Richardson, Mrs. Alice Graves, G. L. Armstrong, Zack Cloyd, Mrs. Ellen Cary and others. A number of wells will be put down when Spring opens up.

The Greensburg company have most of the valuable territory here. They were the first on the ground and leased some 1000 acres before they began work. D. E. McQuade, of Greensburg, Pa., is the Superintendent of this company. Land and leases are out of sight. Land values have multiplied in the past few months but little has changed hands. But little land is still unleased and although prices are now high they will be higher.

The Standard Oil Co., has at last entered the field and are leasing every thing round about that can be obtained.

## LIBERTY.

W. H. Wilkerson has removed into his new store-house.

J. W. Pelly occupies the house formerly occupied by Mr. Wilkerson. He has a stock of dry goods and groceries.

Elas Kidd's new store-house is about completed. He will handle a general line.

Jas. Cowden has taken charge of R. W. Napier's livery stable. Charley Sharp will remove to his father's farm. Giboney & Jeffries are doing a good business. They have a first-class lot of horses and vehicles.

H. W. Rains will occupy H. W. Phillips new store now in course of construction. He will handle groceries.

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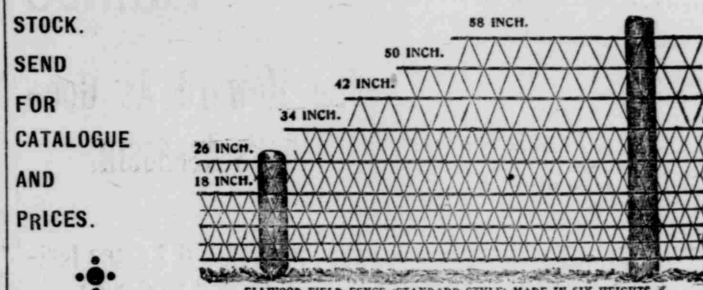
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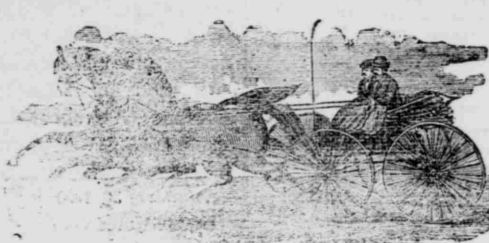


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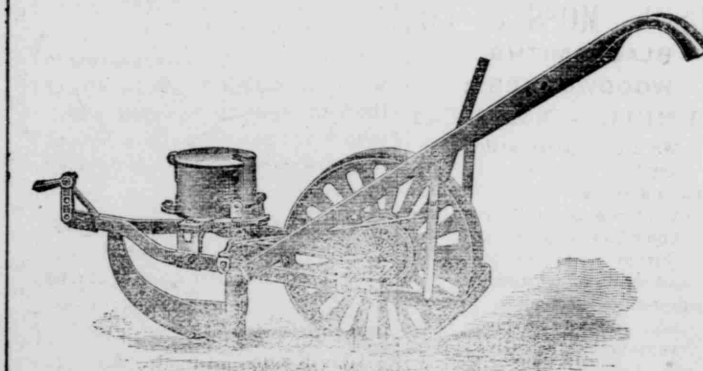
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